

# Exhibit B

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**Subject:** RE: Richard Best criminal trial  
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The Government's witness list is due by the end of September. It will likely cause me to not need some of the ADM employees listed below and it may cause me to need ADM employees not listed below.

I was formerly retained counsel for Richard Best. I was recently appointed as counsel for Richard Best. The U.S. Marshal is now tasked with serving everyone on my witness list. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 17(d), the subpoenas must be served in person. Because I am appointed, the Government is now responsible for all fees, including witness fees and travel fees. To make it as efficient as possible, I am requesting that you provide contact information for each witness, including cell phone number. The deputy marshal serving the witnesses can arrange a time and location for service of the subpoenas.

Some of the ADM employees I will need subpoenaed include:

- Zane Anderson
- Ray Bradbury
- Mark Gergen
- Michael Hernandez
- Mike Irons
- Justin Pinsonneault

Thank you,

Jeff

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Jeff,

We received your email. Your email does not identify the ADM employees that are the subject of your email. Please provide their names so we can forward that information along with your email request so that it can be meaningfully considered.

Thanks.



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Gentlemen,

Richard Best's criminal trial is set for November 4, 2025, in the Eastern District of California, Fresno Division before Judge Thurston. There are numerous witnesses still employed by ADM that I need to serve with subpoenas for trial. The trial is estimated to take 12 court days.

Please advise if you are authorized to accept service of the subpoenas on behalf of ADM employee witnesses. If so, I will provide you with the subpoenas.

Best,

Jeff

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